igh 7/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031 EPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

plays a valid OMB control number.

CYPE 140,80 FEB 2 2 2006 F	U.S. Patent and Tr Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of	P Approved for use through 7/31/2006 rademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT of information unless it displays a valid Of
STEP & TRACES	PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) FY 2005 (Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)	Docket Number (Optional) 10517/16
	Application Number 09/232,498	Filed January 15, 1999
	For SEPARATOR FOR FUEL CELL AND MANUFACTURING METHO	D FOR THE SAME

Examiner Mark RUTHKOSKY Art Unit 1745

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified

The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):

		<u>Fee</u>	Small Entity Fee	
	One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$120	\$60	\$ <u>120.00</u>
	Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$450	\$225	\$
	Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$1020	\$510	\$
	Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$1590	\$795	\$
	Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2160	\$1080	\$
Applicant clai	ms small entity status. See 37 CFR	1.27.		

	Applicant claims small entity status.	See 37 CFR 1.27.
--	---------------------------------------	------------------

	Δ	chack	in the	amount	of the	fee is	enclosed	
ı	 м	спеск	. m une	amount	บเนเษ	166 12	enclosed	

Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

	The Director has alread	y been authorized to	charge fees in this	s application to a	Deposit Account
--	-------------------------	----------------------	---------------------	--------------------	-----------------

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to

Deposit Account Number 11-0600 . I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.

I am the applicant/inventor.

> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71 Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).

attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34.

Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34.

Signature William E. Curry

February 22, 2006

Date

202-220-4200

Typed or printed name

Telephone Number

NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.

Total of __ forms are submitted.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.136(a). The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 6 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETEDFORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND

TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2. 09532498 00000003 110600

02/24/2006 HAL111